

01504

1975/04/29

NNH

N

VV ES8024 BRN398

..... ZZ RUKOQS

DE RUEASTA #0863 1190057

ZNY AAAAA

Z (290057Z APR 75)

FM CINCPAC HONOLULU HI

TO RUKOQS/ANEMB SAIGON VS

INFO RUZKJCS/CJCS WASHINGTON DC

BT

~~SECRET~~ SPECAT EXCLUSIVE FOR AMBASSADOR MARTIN INFO GENERAL BROWN FROM GAYLER

A. TELCON AMB MARTIN/ADM GAYLER THIS DATE

1. (S) I WANT TO REAFFIRM TO YOU MY RECOMMENDATION, PER TELCON, THAT YOU NOW EVACUATE THE ENTIRE AMERICAN POPULATION LESS THOSE MISSION PEOPLE WHOM YOU PROPOSE TO KEEP INDEFINITELY. I FURTHER REPEAT MY ASSURANCE THAT MGEN SMITH HAS MY AUTHORITY TO MIX VIETNAMESE EVACUEES WITH AMERICAN ON THE LIFT SO LONG AS IT IS FEASIBLE AND DESIRABLE.

2. (S) MY PRIME REASONS FOR THESE RECOMMENDATIONS TO YOU REMAIN FIRST, THE CLEAR AND PRESENT DANGER TO AMERICAN LIVES AND SECOND, THE CAPABILITY BY MOVING NOW TO HAVE THE ASSISTANCE OF DAO AND HIS PEOPLE IN THIS DIFFICULT AND URGENT TASK.

3. (S) YOU SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT I ORDERED REDUNDANT GENERAL AND FLAG OFFICERS OUT PRIMARILY TO PRECLUDE THEIR FALLING INTO THE

PAGE 02 RUHQHQA0863 S E C R E T SPECAT

HANDS OF THE COMMUNISTS WITH THE POLITICAL EMBARRASMENTS THAT WOULD ENSUE.

SMITH WILL OF COURSE BE LAST OUT WITH HIS OFFICE, AND I HOPE WITH ALL OTHER AMERICANS ALSO.

4. (S) AS I HAVE ASSURED YOU, EVACUATION FORCES ARE AT THE HIGHEST STATE OF READINESS. THE MILITARY SITUATION IS GRAVE HOWEVER AND IN MY JUDGMENT THE RISK TO YOUR AMERICANS GROWS WITH EVERY HOUR. IN THIS CONNECTION YOU ARE OFEN ON MY INTELLIGENCE REPORTING AND IN MY JUDGMENT IT DOES NOT RPT NOT SUPPORT THE RATHER EUPHORIC VIEW GIVEN ME BY MR. POLGAR. I HAVE THE IMPRESSION HE MAY NOT BE CURRENT.

5. (S) FYI I AM INFORMED THAT 8 AIR AMERICA CHOPPERS REMAIN UNDANAGED. HOWEVER AT LAST REPORT SAPPERS ARE ONE MILE FROM TSN AND SA-7 IS BEING USED EFFECTIVELY, HAVING SHOT DOWN THREE AIRCRAFT IN THE LAST COUPLE OF HOURS.

6. (U) UARM REGARD.

GDS-83

BT

#0863



(129)

Declassified
Photocopy from Gerald R. Ford Library